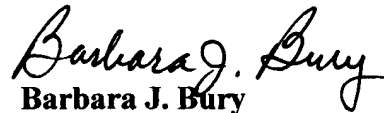


Please be reminded that in regard to your previous rejection (dated 1/12/2005) of claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,817,666 to Blount and as per our phone discussion on February 17, 2005, wherein I pointed out that I had applied for a provisional patent on February 25, 2003, I believe this objection does not apply as said provisional patent predates the Blount Patent which was applied for on May 9, 2003.

Once again, I hope that all of your objections and requests have been fully satisfied and I thank you for your patience.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Claims listing with corrections  
Final claims listing

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What is claimed is:

1. (Currently Amended) A rocking chair slipper for placing over the rocker foot

~~(also referred to as rocker arm or runner)~~ <sup>ROCKER</sup> of a rocking chair to protect the floor/  
comprising:

~~means for~~ an elastic strip that is attached all around the edge of the opening  
of the slipper to enable the slipper to stretch enough to fit over the rocker foot  
and then conform back to the shape of the rocker foot/;

~~means for~~ fabric or ribbon strips eight inches in length attached to the  
opening of the slipper on both sides at two strategic points, ~~one~~ at 8 inches from the  
front corner and one 6 inches from the back corner of opening/; to be tied into a bow  
around the rocker foot to keep the slipper in place/; rigidly connected to said ~~means~~  
~~for~~ an elastic strip that is attached all around the edge of the opening of the slipper  
to enable the slipper to stretch enough to fit over the rocker foot and then conform  
back to the shape of the rocker foot/;

~~means for~~ fabric must stretch all ways to expand to fit and conform to the  
shape and length of a standard rocking chair rocker foot ~~(also referred to as rocker~~  
~~arm or runner)~~; and

~~means for~~ foam or other padding inserted between two layers of fabric on the bottom of the slipper to cushion the floor and rocker foot~~, rigidly connected to said-~~  
~~means for~~<sup>WHICH</sup> fabric ~~must stretch all ways to expand to fit and conform to the shape and~~  
length of a standard rocking chair rocker foot.~~(also referred to as rocker arm or~~  
~~runner).~~

2. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper in accordance with claim 1,  
wherein ~~said means for~~ an elastic strip that is attached all around the edge of  
the opening of the slipper to enable the slipper to stretch enough to fit over the  
rocker foot and then conform back to the shape of the rocker foot<sup>FURTHER COMPRISING</sup> ~~comprises a~~  
~~two~~ pieces of 1/2" wide elastic measuring 20" in length ~~elastic strips.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper in accordance with claim 1,  
wherein ~~said means for~~ fabric or ribbon strips eight inches in length attached  
to the opening of the slipper on both sides at two strategic points~~, one at 8~~  
inches from the front corner and one 6 inches from the back corner of opening~~;~~  
to be tied into a bow around the rocker foot to keep the slipper in place~~.~~

<sup>FURTHER</sup> ~~comprises a~~<sup>COMPRISING ±</sup> two eight inch lengths of ribbon or similar material fabric ties.

4. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper in accordance with claim 1, wherein said ~~means for~~ fabric must stretch all ways to expand to fit and conform to the shape and length of a standard rocking chair rocker foot ~~(also referred to as rocker arm or runner)~~ comprises a <sup>FOUR WAY</sup> Stretch fabric <sup>IN LENGTH AND WIDE THAT IS</sup> (4 way) 36" <sup>OF</sup> 12" / folded in half and sewn in such a manner to form a slipper <sup>OF</sup> stretch fabric.

5. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper in accordance with claim 1, wherein said ~~means for~~ foam or other padding inserted between two layers of fabric on the bottom of the slipper to cushion the floor and rocker foot <sup>FURTHER</sup>, <sup>COMPRISING F</sup> comprises a ~~foam or other padding~~ 1/2" thick by 2" wide by 30" long <sup>padding</sup>.

6. (Currently Amended) A rocking chair slipper for placing over the rocker foot ~~(also referred to as rocker arm, runner, rocker)~~ of a rocking chair to protect the floor <sup>t</sup> comprising: <sup>OR</sup> ~~two~~ <sup>t</sup> pieces of 1/2" wide elastic measuring 20" in length <sup>t</sup> elastic strips, ~~for~~ an elastic strip that is attached all around the edge of the opening of the slipper to enable the slipper to stretch enough to fit over the rocker foot and then conform back to the shape of the rocker foot;

<sup>t</sup>  
~~Two~~ <sup>OR</sup> eight inch lengths of ribbon or similar material fabric ties, ~~for~~ fabric or ribbon strips eight inches in length attached to the opening of the slipper on both sides at two strategic points, ~~one~~ at 8 inches from the front corner and one 6 inches from the back corner of opening, ~~to~~ be tied into a bow around the rocker foot to keep the slipper in place, rigidly connected to said elastic strips;  
<sup>FOUR WAY</sup> <sup>IN LENGTH AND WIDE THAT IS</sup>  
a) Stretch fabric (4 way) 36" <sup>OF</sup> 12" folded in half and sewn in such a manner to form a slipper <sup>WHEREIN THE</sup> stretch fabric, ~~for~~ fabric must stretch all ways to expand to fit and conform to the shape and length of a standard rocking chair rocker foot

~~(also referred to as rocker arm or runner); and~~

<sup>f</sup>  
a) <sup>OR</sup> Foam or other padding 1/2" thick by 2" wide by 30" long, ~~for~~ padding, <sup>OR</sup> foam or other padding inserted between two layers of fabric on the bottom of the slipper to cushion the floor and rocker foot, rigidly connected to said stretch fabric.

7. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper as recited in claim 6, further comprising:

<sup>a</sup>  
~~an~~ Any decorative gathered trim such as ~~lace~~, lace or other decorative trim, ~~for a gathered lace or other trim~~ attached to the opening of the slipper for decorative purposes, rigidly connected to said fabric ties, and rigidly connected to said stretch fabric.

8. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper as recited in claim 6, further comprising:

a <sup>r</sup>~~R~~ibbon or similar fabric tied into a bow and sewn on to the front of the slipper ~~/ bow, for this bow is~~ for decorative purposes only.

9. (Currently Amended) The rocking chair slipper as recited in claim 7, further comprising:

a <sup>r</sup>~~R~~ibbon or similar fabric tied into a bow and sewn on to the front of the slipper. ~~bow, for this bow is~~ <sup>for</sup> for decorative purposes only.

10. (Currently Amended) A rocking chair slipper for placing over the rocker ~~(ALSO REFERRED TO AS A ROCKER ARM, RUNNER, ROCKER)~~ foot of a rocking chair to protect the floor ~~/ comprising:~~

~~2~~ <sup>t</sup>~~T~~wo pieces of 1/2" wide elastic measuring 20" in length ~~/ elastic strips,~~  
for ~~an elastic strip~~ that is attached all around the edge of the opening of the slipper to enable the slipper to stretch enough to fit over the rocker foot and then conform back to the shape of the rocker foot;

<sup>a</sup>~~an~~ Any decorative gathered trim such as ~~lace~~ lace or other decorative trim,  
~~for a gathered lace or other trim~~ attached to the opening of the slipper for decorative purposes;

<sup>t</sup>  
~~Two~~ <sup>OR</sup> eight inch lengths of ribbon or similar material fabric ties, ~~for~~ fabric or ribbon strips eight inches in length attached to the opening of the slipper on both sides at two strategic points, ~~one~~ at 8 inches from the front corner and one 6 inches from the back corner of opening, ~~to be tied into a bow around the rocker foot to keep the slipper in place,~~ rigidly connected to said <sup>1</sup>/~~face~~ or other decorative trim, and rigidly connected to said elastic strips;

<sup>r</sup>  
a ~~Ribbon~~ or similar fabric tied into a bow and sewn on to the front of the slipper. ~~bow, for this bow is for decorative purposes only;~~  
<sup>FOUR WAY</sup> <sup>IN LENGTH</sup> <sup>WIDE THAT IS</sup>  
a <sup>4</sup> Stretch fabric (4 way) 36" <sup>12"</sup> folded in half and sewn in such a manner to form a slipper, <sup>OF AND WHEREIN</sup> ~~stretch fabric, for~~ fabric must stretch all ways to expand to fit and conform to the shape and length of a standard rocking chair rocker foot (~~also referred to as rocker arm or runner~~), rigidly connected to said <sup>1</sup>/~~face~~ or other decorative trim; and

<sup>f</sup>  
<sup>OF OR</sup> a ~~Foam~~ or other padding 1/2" thick by 2" wide by 30" long, ~~padding,~~ ~~for~~ foam or other padding inserted between two layers of fabric on the bottom of the slipper to cushion the floor and rocker foot, rigidly connected to said stretch fabric.